JL told me today that he had reached Paul Hoch by phone yesterday and that the explanation for no letter to the Nation is that it rejected his piece. This is farout. I don't see how any "liberal" journal can reject that subject. But it also means that PH had made the submission earlier than he acknowledged, that the so-called first draft was either of an earlier period or is in fact what he submitted. There simply isn't the time for him to have revised that piece, sent it to the Nation, and them to have had time to consider it and be back in touch with them all before he took the train east. ...My 1966 experience with the Nation is suggestive of not less than a Warren Hangup and perhaps more. I remember a phone conversation with a woman named Yglesias in which she was pretty much of an adversary, not in any sense a journalist. HW 9/17/74